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## Suspects Charged in 1<sup>st</sup> degree assault

Charges have been filed and two suspects are in custody at the Joplin City Jail for a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Assault and Robbery that occurred in Joplin last month. On April 17, at approximately 01:45 hours the victim in the case drove to a friend's apartment at 3401Texas Avenue. While on the grounds of the complex she was approached by a white female and a white male. Both suspects assaulted her with a pipe and a chain. The two suspects then took her purse and left the scene.

The victim was transported by private vehicle to Freeman Hospital where she was treated for extensive head injuries. Investigators identified the suspects as Amber D. Duncan, age 28 of Galena, KS and Seth R Langford, age 25, of Joplin. Both suspects were arrested on May 1 after the Newton County Prosecutor's office filed charges of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Robbery, 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Assault and Armed Criminal Action on both suspects.

Photos of the suspects are attached.

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